Indian Airlines have accumulated losses to the tune of Rs. 650 crores during the last three years; and

(b) if so, what are the main reasons thsre-for and how far it is attributed to high entertainment expenses ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The losses were mainly due to the following reasons :—

(i) A fare structure that did not fully offset increase in input cosLS. (ii) Increase in price of aviation turbine fuel from time to time, (iii) Absorption of heavy incidence of iked expenses associated with the *Ay* acquired A-320 fi.

(iv) Depreciation in exchange of the rupee.

(v) Emergence of air resulting in the fall of traffic hitherto carried by Indian *A* i particularly on the profitable trunk routes.

(vi) Pilots' agitation/strike from October, 1992 to January, 1993.

Entertainment expenses during the last three years have been a negligible proportion of the total expenses.

पर्यटकों की भारत-यात्राएं

2531. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत तीन वर्षों में प्रत्येक वर्ष कुल जितने विदेशी पर्यटकों ने भारत की यात्रा की और उससे कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि देश में वातावरण के अशांत होने के कारण चालू पर्यटन मौसम में विदेशी मुद्रा के अर्जन पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव पड़ा है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान विदेशी पर्यटक आगमन और उससे अनुमानित अर्जित विदेशी मुद्रा नीचे दिए गए अनुसार थी :—

वर्ष	पर्यटक आगमन	अर्जित विदेशी मुद्रा (रु० करोड़ में)
1991-92	17,81,892	3318.62
1992-93	18,20,239	3989.50
1993-94	18,71,262	4572.71

(ख) और (ग) कुछ स्थानों पर प्लेग के प्रभाव और उससे पर्यटक प्रजनन वाले देशों में हुए प्रतिकूल प्रचार ने अक्तूबर और नवम्बर 1994 के दौरान पर्यटन अर्जन को प्रभावित किया था । यह अनुमान है कि इसके कारण विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जन में 350 करोड़ रु. से अधिक की हानि हुई ।

Non-Utilisation of Funds for Tourism Development

2532. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the funds allocated by Government for tourism development were not utilised by the State Government;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) why the State Governments have > utilise these funds; and

(d) what are the steps taken to help the ate Governments to utilise these funds ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION MD TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI ZAD) : (a) and (b) The Union Govern-snt extends fina stance to State overnments for development of tourism fruastructre on receipt of specific pro-sals for prioritised projects from State overnments and Union Territories. Gen-aliy States are &bie to utilise the funds re-ised. However, there are cases when lion Territories are not aole to utiiise the ids fully. A Statement is placed at Annexure *:e* Apr

(•c) Problems relating to a\;:. salification of sites, coordination fereul aepariments eti obstruct the ; mis by the ivernment in some cases.

i utilisation *oi* funds By the State ivernment is closely and regularly monitored the Union Government. It is the Union Government to i ue Governments utilise me i'uuui. tourism development by rei ictioned amount in instain; on the progress of the project: ssion of utilisation certificates.

Development of civil aviation *ia* Guj

2533. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER [k].VE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIA-ON AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

a) the dotjtils of , jiop-at of civil aviatk,:jarai ring the Seventh Five Yea and

;b) the details of dew under-xn /being undertaken in this field in the ite during the current Five Year Plan *'!*

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIA; SID TOURISM (SHRS GHULAM NABI *IAD):* (a) The scl *i* Seventh Five Year Plan in Gujarat are as Uows :—

IMEDABAD:— Instrument Landing stem was installed. Runway was strong- ! ?6-M/P(D)2iORSS-5 thened and apron extended. Besides, VIP lounge was renovated and Departure holding area was air conditioned.

BARODA :—Installed a Very High Frequency Omni Range (VOR).

KESHOD :—Resurfaced Runway.

PORBANDAR :—Resurfaced Runway.

JAMNAGAR:—Installed X-Ray Baggage Inspection System.

(b) Upgradation of airport is a continuing process and is taken up in phased manner depending upon projected requirement and availability of resources. National Airport? Authority has plan; to nio lernise the following airports in Gujarat in the 8th plan :—

(1) AHMEDABAD : Primary and Sec ondary Surveillance Radars are being installed at an estimated cost of Rs. 30.00 crores. The work of installation is *ei* pected to be completed by July, 1995.

(2) VADODARA : A new terminal build- is under construction at a cost of Rs. 11.43 crores and is expected to be completed by March, 1995. The resurfacing of runway has already been completed at a cost of Rs. 2.05 is. The Instrument Landing System (ILS) and Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) are being installed at a cost of Rs. 3.00 crores. This work is expected to be completed by De-cember, 1994. The construction of boundary wall at a cost of Rs. 1.77 crores and ground safety services at a cost of Rs. 0.85 crores will be com-pleted by September, 1995 and December, 1995 respectively.

(3) RAJiiOT : The runway is proposed to be resurfaced. ILS, DME aup j^'" DVOR (Doppler Veiy High Frequency Omni Range) arebgj»y in-i at an cstirnate^^^iRs. 4.50 croresI^^iwwl^^tlLS is expected "TB UJ completed by December, 1994.

(4) BHUJ : (i) A passenger terminal is planned to be constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.00 crores subject to the availafcrlily of land.